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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

IRISH DEMONSTRATIONS IN AMERICA.

OFFICIAL EXPRESSION OF REGRET.

Washington, April 4.
Mr. Colby, in a statement, says the Government deeply regrets that Irish women and Home Rulers have been demonstrating at the British Embassy, and is considering measures to effectively carry out its duty of hospitality to the representative of a friendly Power. The above statement followed picketing at the Embassy by a party of women, culminating in a six-hour demonstration in the street where the Embassy is situated, with a banner inscribed with denunciations of Britain's Irish policy.

AMERICA AND GERMANY.

Washington, April 2.
The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives has voted favourably on the joint resolution declaring that the state of war with Germany has ended.

AMERICA'S AIR FLEET.

DESCRIBED AS HOPELESSLY OBSOLETE.

New York, April 3.
Colonel Hensley, who went to England on the R34 as an American observer and later spent six months in Germany, told the House of Representatives Military Affairs Committee that the Armistice had postponed for ten days, a Zeppelin loaded with incendiary bombs would have sailed over New York. America might as well scrap all her air fleet because it was hopelessly obsolete. The Germans had revolutionised airship design and had developed the all-metal type.

JAPAN'S NEW POSSESSIONS.

REPORT OF HEAVY FORTIFICATIONS.

New York, April 2.
Testifying before the Naval Affairs Committee, Mr. Daniels declared that he was in possession of secret information that the Caroline, Mariana and Marshall Islands, recently acquired by Japan from Germany under the Peace Treaty, are being heavily fortified.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE REJECTED.

New York, April 2.
Dowry-Legislature has rejected woman suffrage.

GERMAN SHIPPING ROUTES.

New York, April 1.
The Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution opposing the employment of American ships on the routes from Germany formerly operated by the Hamburg-America Line.

NEW YORK HARBOUR STRIKE.

New York, April 1.
A general harbour strike of all railroad boats has been ordered. The men assert that there will be a stoppage of 40 per cent. of the traffic.

DENIKIN'S RETREAT.

BOLSHEVIKS PUSHING ALONG.

Constantinople, March 31.
The evacuation of General Denikin and his forces south of Novorossiysk is continuing. The Bolsheviks are now advancing along the Caucasians to Vladikavkaz, which will probably be occupied, following up the railway to Grozny, the centre of the oil region.

FURTHER BOLSHEVIK ADVANCE.

Constantinople, April 1.
Besides Vladikavkaz, the Bolsheviks have taken the important Caspian port of Petropavsk at the head of the Caucasian Railway. Thus the Reds, with the exception of the northern strip of the Caucasian littoral, now occupy the entire foot of the Caucasians. Orms is reported quiet.

According to a Paris advice, a message from Riga says the Letts have repulsed attacks north of the Drina. The Bolsheviks retired, abandoning numerous killed, wounded and machine-guns.

RUSSIA WANTS TRADE.

KEEN ON DOING BUSINESS WITH ALLIES.

Copenhagen, April 2.
Russian Trade Commissioners have arrived from Moscow. Interviewed by Reuters, they said they wished to resume trade with the Allies as speedily as possible. Ships are loading at Petrograd with flax, hemp, etc., but grain exports cannot be resumed immediately owing to lack of transport, for which the Commission would purchase locomotives and rolling stock from the Allies.

THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

Melbourne, March 31.
H.M.S. Renown will call at Jervis Bay. The Prince of Wales visits Canberra on June 14.
Mr. Hughes, replying in the House of Representatives, hoped that within five years the building of the Federal Capital would be advanced to enable Parliament to meet at Canberra.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE GERMAN CRISIS.

DRASTIC DEMANDS BY REDS.

Berlin, April 2.
The Cabinet adjourned after a prolonged discussion of the conditions from the Essen and Munster Reds. The terms are most drastic, and are reported to amount to a demand for a complete recognition of Soviet principles.

THE REDS PLUNDERING.

Duesseldorf, April 2.
The Executive Council has been deposed by Red troops who are plundering at Ruhr and storming the prisons.
A Berlin message says a German-Russian Commission is negotiating at Roval to release prisoners through Esthonia.

OTHER REPORTS.

Berlin, April 2.
Prince Joachim has been released but has been forbidden to reside in Berlin.
A Munster message says the Government and insurgents have agreed to an armistice from noon to-day. The Government is stopping the despatch of troops to Ruhr.

STATUS OF U.S. TROOPS.

Washington, April 2.
President Wilson, in reply to an enquiry from the House of Representatives, writes: "All American troops on the Rhine are subject only to the orders of the President. Marshal Foch has no authority over them."

THE SITUATION IN THE RUHR REGION.

London, April 3.
The question of the restoration of order in the Ruhr industrial region depends on the action of the Berlin Government in despatching troops thither, concerning which there has apparently been some misunderstanding in Paris and Berlin. Herr Meyer, the German Charge d'Affaires in Paris yesterday handed a Note to M. Millerand again, requesting permission to reinforce the troops in the Ruhr simultaneously mentioning that four battalions of infantry and some batteries entered the neutral zone on the 1st inst. As the German authorities believed France agreed thereto, M. Millerand, in reply, demanded the recall of these troops, declaring that France would still consider the occupation of Frankfurt, Darmstadt and Hanau in the event of a German advance.

Meanwhile, a communique issued in Berlin on the 2nd inst. declares that the despatch of troops to the Ruhr region is inevitable, as lawlessness is unchecked, armed brigands are looting food supplies and the local authorities are powerless to protect civilians. But a resolution by the Executive of the workers at Ruhr warns the Berlin Government that the general strike will be renewed if the troops advance.

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

A SIGNIFICANT APPOINTMENT.

London, April 3.
Sir Hamar Greenwood, interviewed, said: "Being a Canadian Home-Ruler, born in a Home Rule country, my appointment to the Irish Secretaryship is a sign of the Government's earnest desire to settle the Irish question along Home Rule lines once and for all. The Government believes, and all the cables already show it, that the choice of a Canadian has been enthusiastically received in the Empire. It will also be a sign to every American of the Government's real desire to bring order and prosperity to Ireland." Sir Hamar Greenwood concluded by emphasising his wish to see the Irish question settled.

THE IRISH SITUATION.

PRECAUTIONS DURING EASTER.

London, April 2.
There have been rumours that Viscount French (Lord Lieutenant of Ireland) is retiring, but this is officially denied. He is in complete agreement with the Government on the subject of repression of terrorism.
Official news from Dublin states that there is no indication of widespread trouble at Easter, but precautions will be taken to meet any sudden outbreak. Armed soldiers last night and to-day held the approaches to Dublin and Londonderry, examining motor cars. Searchlights and barbed wire were used to facilitate the examinations.

A PENDING BY-ELECTION.

London, April 3.
Sir Hamar Greenwood has gone to Sunderland to prepare for the probable by-election fight, which is expected to be short. Sir Hamar Greenwood, if returned to the Commons, after Easter will supervise the Committee stage of the Home Rule Bill.

AMERICA AND RUSSIA.

London, April 2.
The American Embassy has notified that the United States will be unable to be represented in any capacity on the League Commission of Inquiry to Russia.

INTERNATIONAL "RUGGER."

London, April 3.
At Dublin, in a Rugby match, France beat Ireland by 17 points to 7.

FATAL DUEL.

Monte Video, April 1.
Signor Ordóñez, ex-President of Uruguay, shot and killed the Editor of El Pais in a duel.

MISHAP NEAR CATHEDRAL.

TWO LIVES LOST.

An accidental accident occurred at about 2 o'clock this afternoon in the compound of the St. John's Cathedral. Whilst some workmen were engaged in dressing and treading stone for the New Cathedral Hall a big boulder—ten tons in weight—became loosened and rolled down the hillside upon the men, killing two and injuring three others, one of whom is not expected to live.

A message received by the Police was erroneously taken to mean that a house collapse had occurred at Lower Castle Road with the result that some time was wasted by the firemen in trying to locate the exact spot until the Captain Superintendent of Police arrived in his motor car and ascertained that the mishap had occurred in the vicinity of the Cathedral.

Everything possible was done, but two of the men were terribly mutilated and must have been instantly killed, whilst one of the injured was almost dead. The three injured men were immediately removed by ambulance to the Government Civil Hospital.

DAY BY DAY.

St. Joseph's College 5th annual sports are to be held at the Racecourse on Saturday next.

The following telegram has been received in Hongkong from the British Consul at Bangkok:—"Small steamer sunk in Bangkok River, one mile south of Klongtoe. Lies in eleven metres water 21 metres from the bank. Cargo moored over wreck."

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club against the Navy to-morrow at 5 p.m. at Happy Valley (last match of the season):—J. P. Jones, C. O. Hickling, W. W. Mackenzie, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), Rev. E. W. L. Martin, B. C. Hale, R. A. Brand, E. L. Sim, W. H. Edmonds, A. K. Mackenzie, and J. V. Braga.

The first vessel to arrive in Hongkong from Germany came in this morning at 7 o'clock. She is the Tatsu Maru belonging to the N.Y.K. fleet. She carried two passengers and 409 tons of glass, amorphous pulp, steel and cotton and 503 tons of cocoa, glass and general merchandise. She left Hamburg on February 7th and reports very good weather.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

CHINA'S LOANS.

Shanghai, April 5.
Mr. Lamont was the guest of the University Club at tiffin and of the Foreign Envoys at tea. Mr. Sung Hang-chang, manager of the Bank of China and President of the Bankers' Association, speaking at the welcome tiffin, urged Mr. Lamont to see that the Consortium is guided by the principle of making the loans benefit the Chinese public, not confining the benefit to a few corrupt officials.

SUBMARINES AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, April 5.
Six submarines of the L. class, accompanied by H. M. S. Titania, have arrived in port bound for the China station.

SINGAPORE LADY'S DEATH.

Singapore, April 5.
Mrs. Greminger, wife of Mr. H. Greminger of Diethelm and Co., was drowned in the bathing pool at the Swiss Club on Saturday afternoon.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2 and 3.)

CHINESE WORKERS ON STRIKE.

MANY COMPANIES AFFECTED.

The strikes and turnouts were put on a general strike this morning. The Taikoo and Kowloon Dock, China and Taikoo Dock, the Cement and Rope Companies, as well as all the Chinese engineering and ship building and repairing shops are affected.

Enquiries revealed that a sensible action was taken by the workmen of the public utility companies in not following the line taken by the workmen of other companies, this respecting the approval of the Guild, who have inserted a notice in the vernacular papers setting out the harmful effects which would ensue were the fitters in the public utility companies to join in the movement. Nevertheless, the hope is expressed by the Guild that in the event of a substantial increase, the claims of these men will be taken into consideration.

Work at the Naval Yard is more or less dislocated by the large number of fitters who have quickly gone on strike. It was the original intention of the Naval Authorities to follow a separate line in meeting the demands of the workmen. This failing on account of the strike, it has been found necessary to co-operate in the deliberations of the Dock and other Companies.

As the workers of the Railway Administration have also struck, it is believed that a similar decision will be followed by the Railway Authorities.

Yesterday the Naval Authorities sent three representatives of the fitters of the Dock to Canton with a view to persuading the men to return, with a promise that the men will get the increase to be finally decided upon by the industrial Companies.

It would appear that everything depends on the attitude of the two European Dock Companies. The Chinese firms are awaiting their decision before giving any increase.

Later.
The fitters of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company and the Taikoo Dock Company have not returned to work to-day, and it is taken for granted that the strike is in force.

The fitters engaged by the Hongkong Electric Company and the Hongkong Tramway Company have served their employers with notices that they will quit work within a fortnight. This has not been made known to the Secretary of the Guild when a representative of this paper saw him at 10 o'clock this morning.

There have been prolonged conferences at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to-day, and on enquiry at 3 o'clock this afternoon we were informed by Mr. Hallifax that negotiations were still proceeding.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 4s 11 1/2d.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast:—Rain, Barometer—29.95. Temperature 2 p.m.—64. Humidity 2 p.m.—77.

BOXING.

BOX ISSUES A CHALLENGE.

"Iron" Box, who recently fought a draw with "Sky" Kerrison at the Theatre Royal has evidently not gone to Australia, for we have to-day received a letter from him dated Manila, March 30th, in which he challenges any welter or middle weight in Hongkong; middle weight limit at 135 lbs. at ring-side. He adds that he would like to hear from any match-maker. His address is 138, Soledad, Manila.

Chief E. E. A. Hudson writes us from the Kowloon Naval Depot as follows:—"I do not know if the season of the Hongkong Boxing Association is over, but, if not, am still hoping for another match at my own weight, i.e., 9st. 9 lbs. (135 lbs.) and will box anyone at that weight for Mr. Gedge's light weight championship belt and side stake."

OBITUARY.

MR. W. J. TUTCHER, F.L.S.

It is with very deep sorrow that we chronicle the death of Mr. W. J. Tutcher, F.L.S., Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, which took place late last night at his residence in Peak Road. By his demise, at the age of 52 years, the Government loses one of its most conscientious and able servants and the whole community a man of sterling worth. For his widow, the keenest sympathy will be felt by a very large circle of loving friends. The deceased had been in poor health for some three or four months, and he had a relapse a week or so ago from which he never really recovered. What makes his demise all the sadder is the fact that he was due to go on long leave by the Empress of Russia on May 5th.

The late Mr. Tutcher came to Hongkong in December, 1891, on appointment as Assistant Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, and on many occasions he acted as Superintendent until, in April, 1910, he was given the substantive appointment, for which he was in every sense fully qualified. His work in that position is known to all, and it is not too much to say that he did much towards beautifying the Colony from the floral and botanical point of view. He was a man thoroughly in love with his work, and always enthusiastic about it. In disposition, he was a quiet and somewhat reserved character, but those who knew him best found him a delightful friend, with always a cheery smile and a happy word. He was a very ardent Freemason, and besides being a Past Master of Zetland Lodge was D.D.G.M. of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China, and D.S.G.P. of the District Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Hongkong and South China.

Mr. Tutcher was educated at the Merchant Venturers' School, Bristol, and entered the Royal Gardens at Kew in 1888, from which he came to Hongkong. He was a Fellow of the Linnean Society and was formerly Hon. Lecturer on Botany at the Hongkong College of Medicine. He was the author of "Gardening for Hongkong" and joint author with Mr. S. T. Dunn of "The Flora of Hongkong and Kowloon." He was made a Justice of the Peace in 1911.

The funeral takes place at Happy Valley this afternoon, passing the Memorial at 4.5.15 p.m.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

AMERICA AND GERMANY.

London, March 31. A telegram from Washington says the Democratic and Republican leaders are proceeding with a plan to pass a resolution declaring peace between the United States and Germany despite the objections of President Wilson. The joint resolution provides for a certain measure of reciprocal trading with Germany and the repeal of the President's war powers and it allows Germany forty-five days after the adoption of the resolution in which to agree not to assert any claim against the United States which could not be asserted under the Treaty of Versailles.

Washington, April 1. Despite President Wilson's objections the joint resolutions by the Democratic and Republican leaders declaring the state of war with Germany ended were introduced in the House of Representatives and referred to committee.

Mr. Flood (Democrat) opposes the resolution on behalf of the Government, contending that Congress has no constitutional right to declare a state of peace and can merely request the President to issue a proclamation thereon.

HONGKONG CUSTOM DISCUSSED IN COMMONS.

London, April 1. In the House of Commons, Col. John Ward called attention to a statement in the "Hongkong Telegraph" that Chinese children are openly bought and sold in Hongkong.

Colonel Amery, replying, emphasised that no form of slavery was enforced or legally recognised in Hongkong. If a Chinaman liked to pay a sum to the parents of a girl and adopt her she could do anything that any other free citizen could do. There was no power of restraint over her person.

Col. Ward suggested that that was slavery rather than practice. Col. Amery replied that was a point on which he desired fuller information. If adopted children were unable to get away that certainly ought to be inquired into, though he was not quite sure that even in England adopted children could always get away when they liked. He agreed that if there was anything wrong the sooner it was dealt with the better.

FREIGHT RATES TO THE EAST.

London, April 1. The "Times" seems to be doubtful if the recent decision of British shipping lines serving the Far East to increase export freights from the United Kingdom will be enforced owing to the reduction in the price of bunker coals and the fact that the Japanese Board of Trade has not signified its intention of approving of the rise in rates. As regards the claim of the Far Eastern lines that their rates compare very favourably with other routes, the "Times" instances the fact that while the highest rate on measurement cargo from the United Kingdom to Japan is 8s. 6d. per ton, the highest rate to the Mediterranean ports is 12s. 6d. and it remarks that the competition of the Japanese lines seems to exert a considerable influence on rates to the Far East.

PRINCE AT PANAMA.

Panama, March 31. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales received addresses from the British Colonies, including East Indians, and drove to the Presidential Residence through the crowded streets. The President in his speech at the banquet spoke of the gratitude of Panama for the part played by Britain in the war. The Prince, replying, said the British Empire stands for justice and freedom. It was therefore always keenly interested in the welfare and security of smaller nations. He was particularly gratified at the excellent relations between Panama and the United States, to whom colonisation owed the canal which would greatly influence the commercial development of the world.

HUGE RUBBER DIVIDEND.

London, April 1. In the House of Commons, Mr. Alfred Shortt called attention to the Panama Rubber Estate Syndicate paying a dividend of 200 per cent. for 1919. He suggested investigation under the Profiteering Act. Mr. Bridgeman replied that rubber was outside the scope of the Profiteering Act, because it was sold by auction.

The "Financial News" points out hereafter that rubber has not been sold by auction for several years past.

THE SWAZI AFFIRE.

Colombo, March 22. Fire broke out in the cross-bunker "twendeck" of the British steamer Swazi, from Hongkong to London, after her arrival to-day. The fire is already extinguished. It was necessary to discharge part of the cargo of rubber for examination, but it is believed to be undamaged. The cause of the fire is unknown.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

Jackson, Mississippi, March 31. The Lower House overwhelmingly defeated the Federal women's suffrage amendment which the State Senate ratified. Had the Lower House ratified the amendment it would have given the requisite number of States to make women's suffrage operative throughout the country.

ANOTHER IRISH OUTRAGE.

London, April 1. A train conveying the paymaster of the Great South-Western Railway of Ireland, with £2,500 in wages, was held up at Killonan, five miles from Limerick, by fifty armed and disguised men, who stole the money.

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WHO WILL LOOK AFTER THE CHILDREN.

The recent Act removing sex disqualifications has been hailed as the woman's charter of freedom, but it is not always remembered that it brings with it responsibilities as well as privileges. How many women, for instance, realise the full possibilities of that clause which states that a person shall not be exempted by sex or marriage from the liability to serve as a juror?

Asked for his opinion on the subject Mr. Holford Knight, the champion of sex equality at the Bar, replied: "Since women have sought and have succeeded in winning equality with men in the discharge of certain public duties they must be prepared to contemplate the sacrifice demanded in their fulfilment."

"Personally I do not think that women jurors will be called upon to deal with all that diversity of issues which are at present laid before men jurors. On the other hand, in the business of our courts cases arise in which the opinion of women-jurors would prove of great value, and I presume that the regulations will be framed with an eye to these particular occasions."

But what the average woman will want to know is whether she will be taken away from her household duties to attend at a court of law.

The woman's point of view was put to a "Daily News" representative yesterday by Mrs. Will Crooks. "I certainly think some exemptions should be given," she said. "A woman who has a husband and family to look after should not be burdened with these additional duties."

If she is away, who is to give the husband his dinner when he comes home? Who is to feed the children?

There are many cases in the Courts in which women's interests are concerned where a jury of women would be far more suitable than a jury of men. It would be a pity to lose the services of married women, because their experience and knowledge of life would be of great value."

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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SILVER EASER.

London, April 1.
Messrs Montagu's report dated 1st April states that the
market is fairly robust though the edge of the demand seems
to have rather taken off. There would be considerable enquiry
if rates were somewhat lower. With regard to the outlook it
should be remembered that China is really bearing the onus
of supporting the market, which comprises increasing pro-
duction and large amounts of demonetized silver which had
been hoarded in war-time and are now being freed.

EIGHT HOUR DAY.

New York, April 1.
The Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, numbering
twenty-eight thousand, has voted to strike for the purpose
of enforcing an eight-hour day. This will entirely tie up
harbour traffic.

AMERICAN COAL DISPUTE.

New York, March 31.
The new Bituminous miners' agreement allows the miners
a twenty-seven per cent. increase of wages operating from 1st
April for two years.

BRITISH DIRIGIBLE FOR AMERICA.

New York, April 1.
It is announced that a crew of three officers and eighteen
men sails for England immediately to take over dirigible N38,
which has been purchased from England.

AMERICAN SOCIALISTS EXPELLED.

Albany, New York, April 1.
The State Assembly has expelled the five Socialist mem-
bers who were provisionally suspended for disloyalty.

BRITISH MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

London, April 1.
Mr. Hamar Greenwood succeeds Mr. Macpherson, who
goes to the Ministry of Pensions. Mr. Worthington Evans
replaces Mr. Barnes as Minister without portfolio.

SINN FEIN RULE.

A REPUBLICAN COURT.

The *Daily News* Dublin cor-
respondent writes:—I saw a
prominent member of the Sinn
Fein organisation to-day and
asked him his opinion of Mr.
Buxton's letter in the *Daily News*
this morning. He replied that
Mr. Buxton seemed to be much
better informed as to the situation
in Ireland than a good many
other people, and gave me certain
facts within his knowledge amply
confirming what Mr. Buxton says,
that there is in Ireland a Govern-
ment within a Government
capable of ruling the country.

In certain districts in Ireland,
said my informant, the constabulary
were withdrawn or were
a dead letter. The fact was that
they refused to carry on in the
face of a hostile population. As
a result in these districts the
Sinn Fein organisations—and
that, of course, means the whole
people—organised committees of
order.

In certain cases publicans who
had kept open until all hours
because of the absence of the
police were called before the local
committees, fined, instructed as
to the hours of which they would
be permitted to keep open.

This instance should be a
sufficient answer to any charge
of a lack of order or a desire for
disorder among the Irish people,
my informant added. One of the
chief reasons why Sir John
Taylor and General Shaw
"retired" General Byrne was
because Byrne had not been able
to upset this order. If that
means anything at all it means
that General Byrne was retired
not in the interests of law and
order, but in order that the only
possible forms of law and order,
forms, may be to say, based on
the consent of the people, might
be more actively opposed and
suppressed by a police force
whose chief function in Ireland
to-day it seems to me to be to
create disorder.

"The fact is," concluded my
informant, "that there are persons
in this country who have become
actively agents of disorder,
whereas there already exists in
the country a desire for law and
order in terms of the nation's
constituted authority."

This morning, too, I met
a person who had just received a
Republican writ in an action award of £15,000.

pending against him for money
due. A Republican court of law
will assemble for the case. I
may couple with these facts an
experience of my own during a
recent visit to Limerick:

The people were in a state of
nervousness after the shooting
which occurred there a fortnight
ago. Between eight and nine
o'clock an armoured car dashed
along the main street and back-
fired several times. Mistaking
the sharp reports for a fresh out-
break of firing, groups of people
confusedly scattered, some run-
ning down the by-streets and
others seeking shelter in door-
ways and loobies. The police
were conspicuously absent, and
it was only when a patrol of
civilians, all of them members of
the Irish Volunteers told the
people what had happened and
advised them to go home—that
the panic was allayed.

In view of the threat of Dublin
Castle to re-arrest Alderman
Kelly, the Lord Mayor-elect, if
he sets foot on Irish soil, it is
suggested that the whole corpora-
tion and its officials should go
to London and hold the installa-
tion ceremony there.

At the Dublin session to-day
the proprietors of the *Irish Inde-
pendent* were awarded £15,000
compensation for the damage
done to their plant in the raid
last December. Mr. Ruddock,
who had installed the machinery,
estimated the damage at £21,500,
but three experts of the corpora-
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sum was eventually accepted.

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sions to-day, awarded £15,000
compensation for the damage
done during the raid on the news-
paper in December last.
Mr. T. M. Healy, K. C., said
the raiders damaged 18 linotype
machines, practically every part
of which was smashed, three
printing presses, the stereotyping
foundry (which was reduced to
ruins), and the installation of
long-distance telegraphy.

Mr. Runkock, who had origi-
nally installed the machinery,
was brought over to make a
valuation, and he had placed the
amount of damage at £21,500.

Evidence was given by three
experts of the Dublin Corporation,
who estimated the damage at
£15,000, and as the proprietors
intimated that they were prepar-
ed to accept a sum which did not
represent the full amount of their
damage the Recorder made an
award of £15,000.

DANCING IN SUNDAY
SCHOOLS.A BURNING QUESTION
AT HOME.

Should whist-playing, dancing,
and smoking be permitted in
Sunday Schools? That is a
question which is agitating the
minds of many religious bodies
in the North of England, where
the reaction from the war has
brought about a demand for
a relaxation of many old-time
restrictions. Even before
the war there was a marked
divergence of practice. In
some Sunday Schools in the
Cheshire towns of Stalybridge
and Dukinfield, for instance,
whist and dancing were permitted,
while in others they were severely
discouraged. Since the process
of demobilisation began the young
men and young women attending
these latter schools have attempt-
ed to introduce the forbidden
things, and in many cases have
failed, with the result that they
have sought their recreation in
the clubs and public halls.

In the case of one Noncon-
formist school in Stalybridge, it
is stated that dancing is against
the conditions in the trust deeds,
but the officials have had to yield
to the popular clamour, and now
permit it "as a special favour";
in another case, where the
vicar is stoutly against the
introduction of the dance,
the younger element have
at times actually engaged a club
for the purpose just opposite the
vicarage. The introduction of
dancing into another school
threatened to cause a split be-
tween the seniors and juniors, but
in the end the older folks gave
way. The more moderate of the
Sunday School authorities hold
that if the craze for whist and
dancing must be satisfied it is
better that such functions should
be held in the Sunday Schools
than elsewhere.

In Dukinfield one of the Non-
conformist schools has had a very
successful Young Men's Institute
for many years but since the war
friction has arisen on the smoking
question. The young men
demanded the right to smoke in
the institute, which is part
of the school premises, and
the officials eventually yielded
to the extent of per-
mitting smoking by youths over
the age of eighteen. Those under
eighteen promptly seceded, and
started a club of their own. So
far they have been singularly
unlucky, for a pavilion in course
of erection by them as a club-
room was swept away by the
recent storm.

TO KIDNAP PRINCE OF WALES.

REPORTED SINN FEIN PLOT.

Before the Prince of Wales
set foot in the United States,
says an American paper,
there were mysterious whisper-
ings that "something would
surely happen," the inference
being that certain hereditary
enemies of Great Britain were
plotting against the success of
his visit from various viewpoints.
Nothing did happen, however, ex-
cept a tremendous outpouring of
popular affection for the heir-
apparent to the British Throne.
But now come stories of foiled
plots that are interesting, to say
the least. On December 8 the
London correspondent of the *New
York Sun* cabled:—

"I am able upon high authority
to give a heretofore unpublished
account of a Sinn Fein plot
hatched in the United Kingdom
with agents operating overseas
to kidnap the Prince of Wales
when he was in America and
hold him for high ransom, namely,
the recognition of the Irish
Republic. My informant said:
"A high-powered motor car
was to be brought to one of the
stations at which the Prince was
due to alight in America. He
was to have been seized and
carried to the waiting car, in
which he was to have been con-
veyed to a secret hiding place.
Do not ask me whether it was
to have been at the Canadian
border, Philadelphia, or Washing-
ton."

As soon as London officials
received information of the plot
they communicated with the
British authorities in America,
and precautions as to an extra
guard for the Prince were taken,
which in themselves destroyed
all possibility of the execution
of the proposed scheme. It is not
advisable for me to say more on
the matter, except to emphasise
that it was all Irish in conception,
and so far as we know at the
moment, no American entered
into the conspiracy.

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EASTER CRICKET.

MARRIED MEN
v.
BACHELORS.

The members of the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday played a two innings match, the Married men meeting the Bachelors. The game was an interesting one. The Married men were far superior to their opponents, and their score would have been bigger but for the consistently fine bowling of Major Middlemas who took eight wickets for 59 runs. Captain Davies, for the Married men, hit out freely, but Middlemas prevented him from carrying his score beyond the 47 mark. The redeeming feature of the two innings of the Bachelors was the 26 runs compiled by Wood. The Bachelors made 177 runs in their two ventures and as the Marrieds registered 173 runs in the first innings, the latter had no difficulty in passing the required total, winning by ten wickets. Scores—

MARRIED.

1st Innings.					
Major Edwards, c. Clauson, b. Middlemas	5				
E. J. R. Mitchell, b. Bird	16				
Capt. Davies, b. Middlemas	47				
Capt. Olliver, b. Middlemas	24				
E. W. Day, b. Middlemas	18				
A. B. Raworth, b. Middlemas	3				
F. A. Redmond, b. Middlemas	6				
Capt. Gray, b. Middlemas	28				
Col. Humphry, c. Sutherland, b. Bird	5				
H. H. Taylor, not out	1				
F. Sutton, b. Middlemas	5				
Extras	10				
Total	173				

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bird	13	0	58	2
Middlemas	18.1	2	59	8
Sawyer	2	0	11	0
Hammond	4	0	15	0

BACHELORS.

1st Innings.					
C. Blaker, b. Davies	6				
A. E. Wood, c. Taylor, b. Edwards	26				
Major Middlemas, c. Mitchell, b. Edwards	16				
Pay-Lieut. Robinson, c. Sutton, b. Edwards	11				
H. A. Sawyer, c. Gray, b. Edwards	0				
Capt. Murray, c. Sutton, b. Edwards	19				
A. R. Sutherland, c. Sutton, b. Davies	10				
Lieut. Hammond, b. Davies	1				
Lieut. Clauson, c. Davies	0				
R. E. O. Bird, not out	0				
P. G. de Paravicini, b. Davies	0				
Extras	3				
Total	95				

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Davies	11.4	1	34	6
Day	3	1	12	0
Edwards	8	1	24	4

BACHELORS.

2nd Innings.					
C. Blaker, b. Edwards	11				
A. E. Wood, c. Sutton, b. Davies	9				
Major Middlemas, c. Davies, b. Edwards	15				
Pay-Lieut. Robinson, b. Davies	0				
Capt. Murray, c. Day, b. Edwards	11				
A. R. Sutherland, c. Raworth, b. Edwards	10				
R. E. O. Bird, b. Edwards	5				
Lieut. Clauson, b. Davies	8				
H. A. Sawyer, not out	5				
Lieut. Hammond, b. Edwards	4				
P. G. de Paravicini, c. Redmond, b. Edwards	0				
Extras	3				
Total	92				

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Davies	11	0	40	3
Edwards	10.5	5	39	7

MARRIED.

2nd Innings.					
H. H. Taylor, not out	5				
F. Sutton, not out	1				
Extras	0				
Total (for no wks.)	6				

Bowling.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bird	1	0	6	0

BASKET BALL.

THE LEAGUE TABLE.

Below we give the standing of the teams in the Hongkong Basket Ball League as on April 2nd—

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
A.A.C.	5	5	0	10
Helena	6	5	1	10
S. China	6	5	1	10
Varsity 'B'	3	2	1	4
I.R.C.	3	2	1	4
Y.M.C.A.	5	2	3	4
Queen's Red	5	2	3	4
Varsity 'A'	5	4	1	2
Queen's White	Withdrawn			

EASTER MONDAY
FOOTBALL.

NAVY RES. v. KOWLOON.

There was a good crowd at the Valley on Monday afternoon, when the second of the exhibition matches provided by the H.K.F.A. was played on the Club Ground. Unfortunately high wind interfered with the play, which never reached a high standard. Both teams were photographed prior to the match, Kowloon being without Taylor, Rasmussen and Langenberg, but were assisted by May and Weyman of the Reserves. Navy had a good side out, the teams being—

Navy Reserves: Hayward (Captain); Woodruff and James; Hodge, Sergeant and Innes; Handford, Nevill, Marshall, Jarvis and James.

Kowloon: Hyder; Jackson and Wheeler; White, Mitchell and Smith; May, Millard, Weyman, Knight and Mason.

Mr. Coaker was in charge of the game.

The game opened somewhat tamely and the first incident of note was a good effort by Mitchell, who tried a long shot, but Hayward was safe. Navy got going on the left wing, some pretty work by Innes and Jarvis ending in the latter scoring a very nice goal. May got going on the right wing and looked to have a good chance, but James overhauled the winger and Navy returned to the attack. Kowloon had several chances but the inside forwards did not shoot enough and at the interval Navy were one up.

In the second half, Handford came through with a splendid sprint, and, beating Jackson, shot the ball hard past Hyder with a fine goal. Kowloon played well and Mitchell, who had changed with Weyman to centre forward, after some good play scored with a fast low drive, giving Hayward no chance. Innes nearly increased Navy's lead, but Hyder saved and Navy Reserves won with a certain amount of ease by 2 to 1.

The game was not exciting but there were frequent bits of very good football. Wheeler, Jackson, White and Mitchell played well for Kowloon, and Hayward, James, Sergeant and the two wings were the pick of the Navy.

At the conclusion of the match, the players gathered at the grand stand where Master Gunner May, in the absence of Mr. Wilton, President of the League, presented the Cup to the Navy Captain and congratulated the team on its splendid record. Cheers for Kowloon, the runners-up, were called for by the Navy Captain, these being reciprocated by the Kowloon players.

PRIZE FOR "WORST"
SCHOOLBOY.BY ONE WHO HAS
PROSPERED.

Headmasters, with whom a representative of the *Daily Chronicle* discussed the subject, hold the view that it is the studious and not the troublesome boy who most frequently makes a success of life.

The question arose through the novel offer of a prize to the "worst boy" in a Bristol school, made by an old scholar, who has prospered, and who formerly held that: unenviable distinction.

"For one boy who is troublesome at school and succeeds in life," declared the head of a North London school, "there are 40 boys who give no trouble who will also succeed. The bad boy who does well is so exceptional that his success is hailed, and unfounded generalities are based upon it."

Another headmaster remarked that the boy who is in disgrace with all the masters is often possessed of qualities which are useful when developed later.

"But still," he continued, "if I had ten studious lads and ten of a troublesome character, my experience shows that the proportion of success in life is far higher among the former."

A third headmaster pointed out that boys incapable of learning often prove very practical men, and he instanced the case, a century old, of a scholar who was an omniglot dancer at St. Paul's School and yet became Lord Chancellor.

He, however, subscribed to the opinion that the chances of ultimate success were against the unruly boy when compared with one more amenable to discipline.

ETON BOY COMPLAINS OF
PROFITEERING.

CONDUCTS HIS OWN CASE.

Mr. H. G. Babington-Smith, an Eton boy, who conducted his own case, complained to the Profiteering Committee, recently, of being charged 2s. 6d. each for white ties by Messrs. New and Lingwood, hostlers, of Eton.

Cross-examined by Mr. Ryland, who represented the firm, complainant said he had been at Eton five years, had always dealt with Messrs. New and Lingwood, and had never before complained of the prices they had charged.

Mr. Ryland said the ties were sold at less profit than before the war. They were purchased for 1s. 6d. and sold for 2s. 6d., a profit of 40 per cent. on the selling price.

Mr. Babington-Smith: Whether it is the custom in the trade or not to calculate on the selling price, it actually comes in practice in a profit of 60p and two-thirds per cent.

Mr. Ryland said that the principal trade of the shops of this kind was with students and others at Eton College. It was limited to 8 1/2 to 9 months, but the employees had to be kept all the year, and wages had risen enormously.

Messrs. New and Lingwood employed a special man to iron the boys' top-hats, free of charge. The boys were at liberty to go in whenever they liked, after a "rag" or "larking about," to have their hats ironed—several times a day if necessary. The firm also "marked" all washable articles for the boys free of charge, except handkerchiefs, stockings and socks.

Evidence was given that it was the custom in the trade to calculate the rate of profit on the selling price, and that before the war the profit on similar ties was 45 per cent. compared with 40 per cent. now. Losses were sustained through white ties being very liable to soiling, fashions altering, and firms having stocks left on hand.

Mr. Babington-Smith remarked that the ties were kept in boxes and handed very little except for actual sale. He held that before the war a gigantic profit was being made, and that the question was as to whether the profit was fair. During the last six or seven years the fashion in ties had not altered.

The committee's decision was that 3d. on each necktie be refunded to the complainant.

Mr. Ryland asked for an extension of time for giving notice of appeal, and a week's extension was granted.

The chairman said he thought Mr. Babington-Smith had brought the case forward as he believed, on public grounds.

Mr. Babington-Smith said this was so.

PLANTS THAT WALK AND
JAZZ.WANDERERS OVER HILLS
AND RIVERS.

Plants that walk about and even jazz, formed the subject of a lecture by Mr. J. L. North, curator of the Royal Botanical Society, to a number of Fellows and educationists recently.

Mr. North showed specimens of plants that either had means of locomotion themselves, or were able to transmit this faculty to their offspring, for germinating purposes. Some of them, he said, ranged all over the earth, and such small things as mountains and rivers, which normally stopped the migration of men, were no obstacle to the plants.

He showed the Resurrection plant, which grows in Mexico, and which lifted itself out of the ground and formed into a ball, "rolling or dancing" about until it found itself located in a damp spot, and when the rainy season came opened its leaves and pushed its roots into the ground.

Similar peculiarities were exhibited by the Rose of Jericho, a native of Syria, but here the plant jazzed to another spot where it would be certain the seeds would fall upon fruitful soil. In the Hebrew Bible this was called the "gurgur" plant.

Other species like the mangrove, the cocconut, and the water chestnut, which grew in the swift rivers of China, used the current for getting abroad. They had travelled all over China, India and America.

One of the most extraordinary specimens on view was a thorny plant which attaches itself in the long grass to cattle.

WATER RETURN.

Level and Storage of water in
Reservoirs on March 1, 1920.CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER
WORKS LEVEL.

	1919	1920
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CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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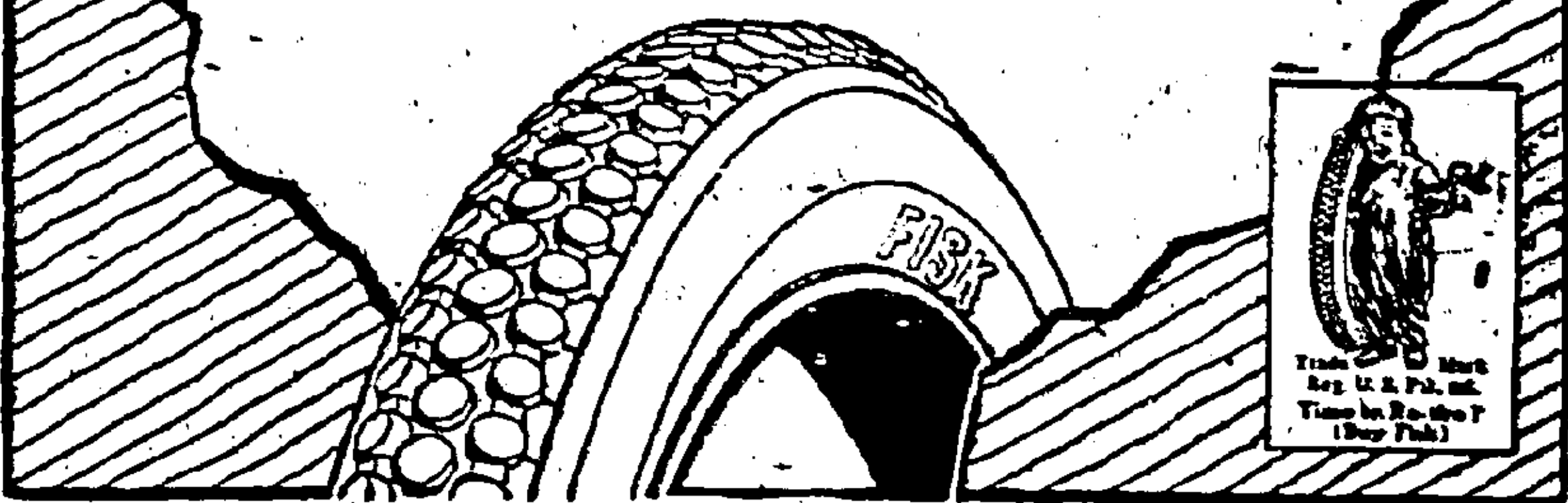
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CHURCH'S RETICENCE ON SEX QUESTIONS.

NEW DEAN'S SUGGESTION.

The Dean-Designate of Manchester—the Rev. J. Gough McCormick, of St. Michael's, Chester Square, London—spoke on marriage questions to an audience of parents at Croydon last month.

Recently he preached on modern marriage, said Mr. McCormick, and as a result many sent him their marriage problems for solution. A lady of 29 wrote that she understood from statistics that the war had resulted in her chances of marriage being reduced 57 per cent. What was he going to do about that? "I object to being regarded as a special marriage expert," he proceeded. "It is a horrible fate. Everyone married is an expert, and you know how experts love one another." Nine sermons out of ten on marriage were really about divorce, holding that marriage could not be broken, and so on. This was quite true, and very interesting, but we did not all want to be divorced. What we wanted to know was how to make our marriages more useful and successful in the highest practical sense. How many marriage sermons were really constructive? To-day sex matters were talked and written about as never before. Plays were crammed with sex interest from end to end. Our young girls knew infinitely more than did their grandmothers when they were married.

"If that is true," said Mr. McCormick, "if there is one place in which they ought to be able to hear a courageous, straight, sensible, sane talk about sex questions, it should be in the church. Instead, it is there seldom spoken about, and, perhaps, then not always on very sensible lines. It is nearly always on the high spiritual line only, and does not come down to the practical thing as it really hits man and woman. We want to translate high spiritual things into the practical daily life, or they are not worth having."

Young people to-day had both liberty and knowledge. Without character, however, these would be a snare and a delusion, only leading them to use their knowledge in the wrong way. And in dealing with matrimony the words of the Prayer-book generally were very unfortunate, being most unsuitable for use in general circles in church. The touch of the matter was conveyed, but it could be very much better expressed. The three pillars were parenthood, lovehood (to coin a new word), and comradeship.

THE LIMITATION OF FAMILIES.
Taking "lovehood" first, Mr. McCormick said the Prayer-book's definition of marriage as "a remedy against sin" sounded as a sort of concession to our weakness—as if the poor folk who wanted to get married were not quite so good as those who did not. In the Bible virginity by itself was not put on any higher plane than marriage. Marriage was not really a "remedy against sin," but was a sanctification of youth, of restraint, and of all the God-given powers meant to be used for the benefit of the race. Love was a spiritual thing, and people could remain true lovers long after all passion had died.

Turning to the question of children, the speaker believed everyone had a perfect right to limit the number of the family; the only wrong course was in the way it was done. As for those who deliberately refused to have children, if it were

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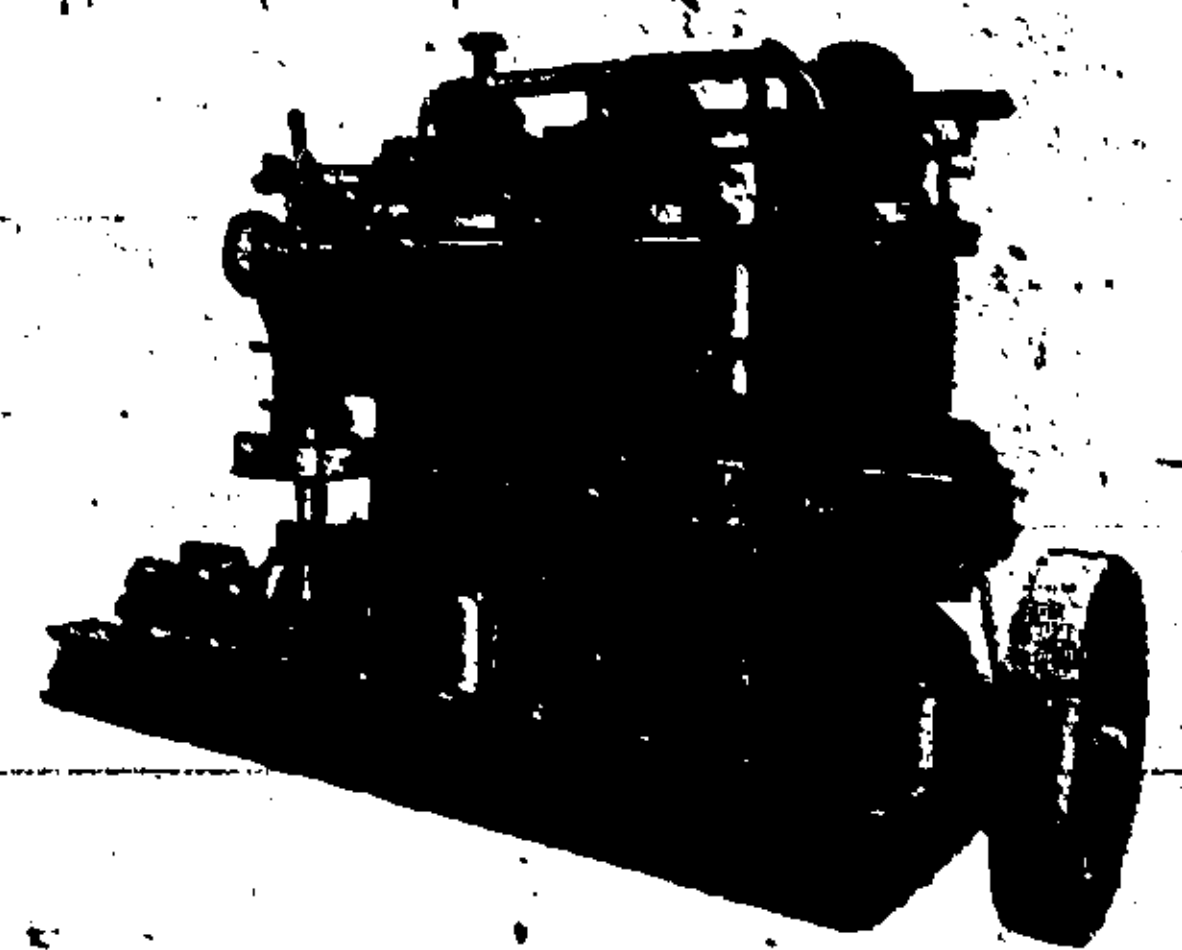
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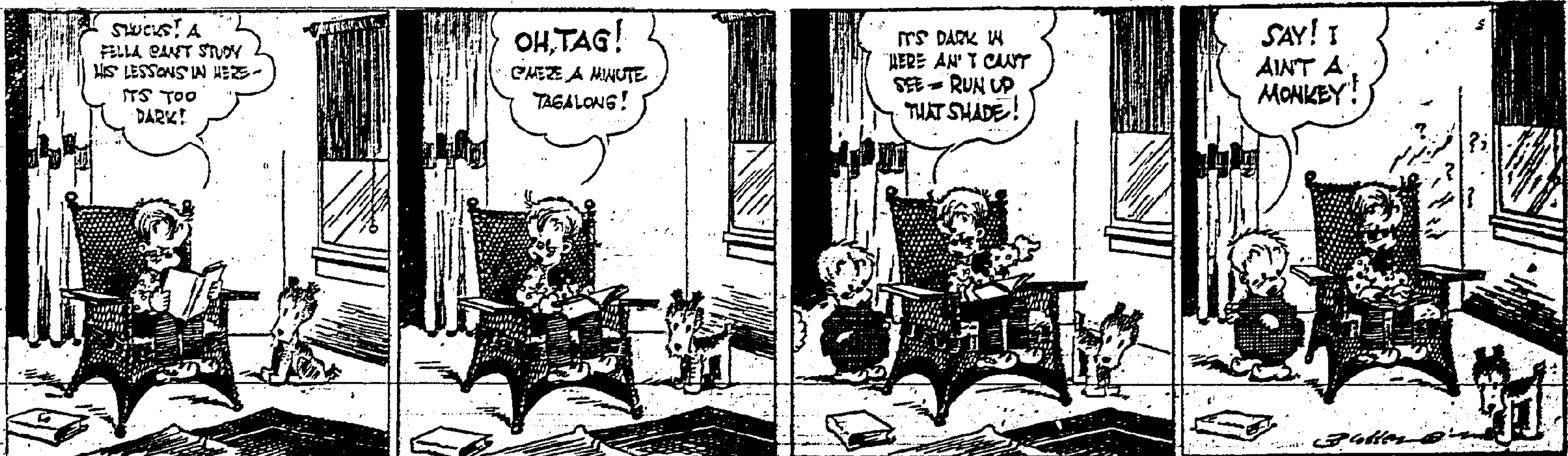
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THE CANTON DEBACLE.

We should imagine that Dr. Wu Ting-fang is now very sorry that he ever had anything to do with the Canton Military Government or with those who conceived the idea of giving birth to such an ill-named and luckless organisation. Dr. Wu, who is revered in foreign circles perhaps more than any other man of his race, no doubt took office in the Southern Government because he believed it was serving a good cause. His motives and his integrity are above all question except amongst gossipers and his political enemies. We always held the view that he was doing himself no good by associating with such a motley crowd of selfish opportunists as those who formed this fantastic Southern caucus and whose one aim, despite all their protestations that they were saving their country, was personal aggrandisement and illicit money-making. With the collapse of the Canton regime and his departure from the scene of affairs in what might have been a better cause, Dr. Wu is probably quite disillusioned by now. We are surprised that to a man of his ability and powers of observation the revelation did not come earlier.

We have before pointed out, and do so again, that this Canton creation was an illegal body, and that it has been guilty of glaringly illegal acts during the term of its existence. What power it possessed rested solely on military strength and backing; its very name was an anachronism, considering that its *raison d'être* was the alleged wrongful usurpation of power by the Northern Militarists. The professed aim of this group of Cantonese was the preservation of the people's rights, but its record of achievement, broken and attempted achievement, would never lead one to think that that was its goal. Even on its first-assumed task of revising the Constitution, it soon wearied of the work, and within the past year or so it has done little else than lay its hands on public money, to some of which it had not the least right, and squander it for personal gain. The diversion of Customs revenue and the interference with the Salt Administration are cases in point, and we do not doubt that practically every office-holder has come out of the enterprise much richer in this world's goods than when he began "serving" his fellow-countrymen. We would exclude Dr. Wu from such a strictures, we believe him to be a man of honest purpose and high ideals. Maybe his very idealism has caused him to place too much faith in self-seeking, smooth-tongued hypocrites.

The chief point of interest is what is likely to happen to the Southern movement, now that most of its self-appointed leaders have disappeared. Dr. Wu, in the interview with him which we published yesterday, did not give much away when he said that all would depend on future conditions. We have seen mention made of the possibility of a removal of the Government to Yunnan; in which case, the Cantonese would be left severely in the cold. What we should like to believe is that this Canton debacle is the beginning of a real and lasting peace with the North, and that we may soon see a state of true harmony prevailing. That is the first necessity for China. A country divided against itself is bound to be powerless in defending its own interests. And there was never a time when the policy of "all pull together" was more needed than to-day in China. This Canton seven-days' wonder has long since outlived its usefulness; indeed, it never had a useful purpose to serve. Let us hope that the whole country will perceive the opportunity now presented of closing up its ranks and of North and South going forward hand in hand.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

OUT STATEMENT.

We feel bound to refer, again, editorially, to the demand being made by native fitters in Hongkong for an increase of wages, not so much because there is any new development in the situation, but because certain things have been said with the intention of discrediting ourselves. Why such nonsense should be indulged in we have not the slightest notion, unless it be that jealous pique had to be given vent to. Admittedly, the *Hongkong Telegraph* was the first newspaper to publish any details of the men's demands and also the fact that an immediate increase was being asked for. We challenge anyone to prove that we urged either the men to be more adamant or the employers more resentful. We stated, purely and simply, the truth, and what was forecasted as a probability has in fact happened. Even the contemporary that thought it was humorous to refer to us as "the capitalistic organ" has since published news to the same effect as we did. There is nothing to be gained in such matters by attempted humour, either malicious or pitiful. We have read in this same contemporary that a Government official—doubtless the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Secretary for Chinese Affairs—said that there never had been any possibility of a strike, or that one was ever contemplated, but we say deliberately, because we know, that some of the men were determined to absent themselves from work if the demands were not granted. Mr. Hallifax himself must have known so, or why all the haste to get things settled by April 1st, or why the absent workers now? Is it because of what the *Telegraph* said that the men have stayed away? Such reasoning would be sheer nonsense. This same public official went a little farther. He accused the *Telegraph*, to one of its own representatives, of publishing a mischievous report just because of the publicity we had given to undeniable facts. Such an accusation is hardly worth answering, because it is not true, but it is hardly within the province of Mr. Hallifax or any other government servant to try to teach us our business. Were this incident going to be one for mutual recriminations we might adversely comment on the fact that Mr. Hallifax was on holiday when the critical point in the dispute was reached. We are not begrudging anyone holiday relaxation, but we can hardly imagine the Minister for Labour at Home being long out of touch with things when a labour dispute was in progress.

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AND MORE OF IT.

But we don't desire recriminations; all we have set out to do is to explain our position. In our legitimate province as a newspaper we published an important item of news. If any of the parties concerned, employers, employed or mediators, think for one moment that either side was in any way prejudiced or benefited by what we reported, then we are genuinely sorry for their inability to discern the things that matter. But, honestly, we don't think they do. At any rate we have a clear conscience on the matter. It always has been and still will be our intention to chronicle important public happenings, because that is the very function of every newspaper. Our contemporary that thinks it funny to call us "Kindergarten" one day and "Capitalistic" the next gave utterance yesterday to the very thoughts that we did on Saturday, by asking to be taken more into confidence on matters of this kind and we can be sufficiently liberal in thought to back that plea up. Whilst withholding all information themselves, employers, at least some, have resented our ever having mentioned the dispute. We can only add that there is not an ounce of reason for any such resentment. We have to apologise to our general readers for this talk about ourselves, but it is just as well now and again to state a clear viewpoint. Without any ill-feeling or regret we very gladly bury the hatchet on this topic. We sincerely hope that everything will come out right, that a complete and satisfactory agreement will be reached and that nothing will transpire to hinder the Colony's industrial output. But we most certainly shall continue to publish such definite information as comes our way.

DAY BY DAY.

UNLESS YOU HAVE FIRST AND LAST, AN ABIDING FAITH IN YOUR PROJECT AND IN YOUR ABILITY—YOU CANNOT SUCCESSFULLY CARRY IT OUT.

Last night at Yanmatli the Police raided a junk and seized a thousand fads of opium and a number of revolvers.

The wedding of Miss Kathleen Sophie Moxon and Major Colin Leslie Smith is to take place at St. John's Cathedral at 3.30 p.m. on the 12th instant.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 20th March, amounted to 81,381 tons and the sales during the period, to 76,119 tons.

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Amongst the recipients of decorations awarded by the President of China to officers of the Chinese Labour Corps for services in the war are the following:—Temp. Major G. K. H. Brutton (4th Class Order of Wen-Hu); Temp. Lieut. N. L. Smith and Temp. Capt. A. P. Storrie (5th Class Order of Wen-Hu).

Lieutenant R. G. Chichester has been appointed to the Titania, one of the two depot ships of the submarine flotilla on the China Station. Lieutenant Chichester's career in the Royal Navy began in 1913. He was a midshipman on the *Minotaur*, flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Thomas H. M. Jernam, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station so that he is no stranger to it.

Lieutenant G. D. W. Turner has been posted to the Tamar, receiving ship at Hongkong for duty. Lieutenant Turner was appointed to the Royal Navy Reserve originally, and was a sub-lieutenant of six years' service when the late war broke out. He was appointed to the Antrim (flagship of Rear-Admiral W. C. Pakenham), and saw much service with that ship and the Light Squadron with which she served.

Commodore M. S. Fitzmaurice, C.M.G., has been appointed Commodore at Smyrna. He has been in the Near East for some considerable time. At the outbreak of war Commodore Fitzmaurice was Senior Naval Officer on the Yangtze River, and on mobilisation he exchanged his post for that of captain of the battleship *Triumph*, in reserve at Hongkong. He commanded the *Triumph* in the East during the operations at Tsingtao, and was in her when she was torpedoed off Gallipoli in May, 1915.

AN ISLANDER'S DIARY.

[BY "AJAX"]

There has been a lot of row about the form the War Memorial should take. Great interest was aroused in the speech that Mr. John Johnstone made. George Eliot once remarked, "There's always two pinions, there is the 'pinion a man has himself and there's the 'pinion other folks have. There'd be two pinions about a cracked bell, if the bell could hear itself. Some folks are so wise, they'll find fifty reasons straight off, and all the while the real reason is winking at them in the corner, and they never see it. The decision to erect the War Memorial on the 'finest site of the Colony' is one that will and must meet with the enthusiastic support of the community. The Memorial should be such as to be the means whereby everyone could pay homage to those dear ones who have fallen in the country's cause, and offer a tribute of thanksgiving for those who were spared when the Angel of Death was abroad."

As the monument is ultimately to cost in the neighbourhood of two to three lakhs of dollars, there is scope for a better display than a simple memorial.

There is a pronounced attempt on the part of landlords and lessees of office and shop sites in the Colony to get rich quickly by raising rents to an unreasonable height. This pernicious practice could be stopped by the creation of the Fair Rents Board, which His Excellency forecasted a few months ago. The shameless way office and shop rents are being continually raised is a subject of common complaint. Where all this is going to end, goodness knows. A shopkeeper's position is delicate. He cannot afford to be carting his things every now and again from one centre to another. This fact is recognised by the rent harpies, who are silently and swiftly bleeding the shopkeeper. The latter has no alternative but to pay the enhanced rent, and smile. Cannot some control be exercised over these rent-collecting gentry? It is a common practice with many people to take an office building on lease and then straight-away double the rent. I think it should be made public that the Government is prepared to enquire into any grievance of this nature, provided specific cases are cited. Rent control is being universally adopted in the East, and slowly large cities in the East and Far East are accepting legislation which before they were fighting shy of.

I notice Calcutta has just introduced a Rents Bill, the chief features of which are the fixing of a standard rent, the appointment of a Rent Controller to regulate rents, and a provision for penalties for extortion. The standard rent is taken as the one obtaining on 1st April, 1919, or, if the premises were not let on that date as the rent on which they were last let before that date. The definition of standard rent is to be varied where premises have been built after April 1st, 1919. In the case of these premises the rent at which they were first let is to be the standard rent. The Rent Controller may allow an increase of rents by amount not exceeding 10 per cent. if the cost of repairs or an increase of assessment justifies it. Provision is also made in this Bill for the expiration of leases of five years' duration and upwards. It is a model of a Bill, and is admirably adapted to our needs. The condition prevailing in Hongkong at present are in every respect identical with those prevailing in other large cities in the East. The same shameless way of fleecing the occupants of offices and houses was common in other parts, until the situation became unbearable, and called for redress. I trust that the Government will recognise the sanity of these arguments, and either create a Fair Rents Board or legislate on the lines of the Rent Bill mentioned.

In his essay on "Seeming wise" Bacon writes of that class of person that there are "some that are never without a difference, and commonly by amusing men with a subtlety, blanch the matter." Generally such men, in all deliberations, find ease to be of the negative side and affect a credit to object and foretell

MILITARY CROSSES.

TO-DAY'S DECORATIONS.

His Excellency the Governor this morning on the Murray Parade ground presented the M.C. and Bar to Lieutenant A.E.M. Welsford, of the Wiltshire Regiment, and the M.C. to Subadar Alim Sher, of the Hongkong and Singapore Battalion R.G.A.

About 120 members, each of the "A", "B", "C" and "D" companies of the Wiltshire Battalion were on parade under the command of Colonel Wyndham, while there were also on parade a hundred members of the Punjab and the Hongkong and Singapore Bn. R. G. A. His Excellency Major-General Ventris received the Governor.

Colonel Wyndham, in presenting Lieutenant Welsford to the Governor, said that this officer was recommended and received the Military Cross for gallantry and devotion to duty in that he, on the 21st October, 1918, sent a patrol across the Sella River near Cambrai and with one exception this patrol was annihilated by machine gun fire from the railway embankment which commanded the bridge across the river. On receiving a report of this, Lieutenant Welsford went personally to investigate. He crossed the river alone, and the enemy, presumably believing him to be followed by force, left their position and withdrew, thus enabling a crossing to be made without further loss of life. Col. Wyndham added that Lieutenant Welsford was awarded a Bar to the Military Cross for the following act:—On the evening of the 4th November, 1918, the advance through Eth was held up by machine gun fire. He rushed forward with his platoon, which had already suffered heavy casualties, causing the enemy teams to retire and enabling the advance to continue. Earlier in the day his platoon had been the first to reach its objective after crossing the Petit Annelle. Throughout the operation he showed great courage and dash.

difficulties, far when propositions are denied, there is an end of them, but if they be allowed, it is a new work, which is a false point of wisdom is the bane of business. These words might well be carved over some of our Government offices. There is the official who will not put first things first. He dissipates his energy over the whole realm of administration and rarely manages to bring any of his schemes to fruition. He neglects the time-honoured advice that: "When things are once come to the execution, there is no secrecy comparable to celerity."

Rumours have been rife that the P. and O. Company are about to absorb the Indo-China Navigation Company. The heavy London buying of a few months ago was said to be for the P. and O. interests, and the report that Lord Inchcape, the Chairman of the P. and O. Company, was to visit China lent colour to that rumour of amalgamation. Many are still expecting to see Lord Inchcape in the Colony, but I am told that there is very little foundation for the belief that the P. and O. Company will buy the Indo-China Steamship Company or come to any working arrangements with Jardine's. Lord and Lady Inchcape have been in India, and left for England on the 18th of last month. So this knocks the bottom out of the share bazaar gup.

The strictures on the telephone system of the Colony by Mr. Percy Smith at the annual meeting of the General Chamber of Commerce were well deserved. The grievance was endorsed by everyone present, which should make the Telephone Company realise that it is high time that matters were improved. Mr. Bennett has promised us in the near future when the Telephone Company's new building is ready—automatic telephones, in which case the fine flow of language which is now addressed to the operators will be wasted. Telephone girls like a masterful man! People in the Colony have not hesitated to swear at the telephone service. Cannot something be done to reduce the average subscriber's annoyance?

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

The proposal to use the gramophone in church is not new. Ten years ago the parish priest of Lamartre, France, installed one in his church for the purpose of making the responses and singing the choral parts of the Mass, and since then many other clerics who are without the help of a choir have followed that example. Some 12 years ago, indeed, the bass solos of a Requiem Mass were rendered by a gramophone in an Irish church, the records of which had been made by the persons whose obsequies were being celebrated!

The recent production by the Oxford University Dramatic Society of Thomas Hardy's play, "The Dynasts," was an event of unique interest. Never before has a play been given by the O. U. D. S. with its author present (as Mr. Hardy was), and never has anything but ancient drama been done by them—except on one occasion, when, the year following Browning's death, they performed "Strafford" (with H. H. Irving as leader). To give the occasion its fullest significance, the degree of Hon. D. Litt was conferred upon Mr. Hardy by the University, which also honoured Browning.

Whether or no the mysterious wireless signals recently discussed originate on another planet, the Paris *Excelsior* is in error in stating that they are "the parasite currents that have existed ever since wireless telegraphy has been in use." That explanation has been carefully considered by experts, and rejected as quite incompatible with the facts. There are two distinct kinds of these "strays"—"A" storms they are called, because they coincide with definite meteorological phenomena—and their effect on wireless instruments is quite different from the "mystery" signals that have been, in some quarters, attributed to the Martians.

Mr. Lloyd George can now look back upon more than 14 years of continuous office. He was appointed President of the Board of Trade in Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's Ministry of December 1903, and has since been Chancellor of the Exchequer, Minister of Munitions Secretary for War, and Prime Minister. It is a record without parallel in modern times. Sir Robert Walpole, in the first half of the eighteenth century, was Prime Minister and Chancellor of the Exchequer for 21 years, and Lord Hardwicke sat on the woolsack for 19. But these were torpid years in our history and cannot be compared with the last decade and a half of restless activity.

One shudders to think what might happen if the spirit of "improvement" were let loose in Hampstead. If building operations are to begin in the gardens of the terrace behind Judges' walk, presumably the terrace (of quite small houses) will go. In one of these houses John Constable, the master of landscape (old style) lodged and worked for some years. Hampstead was one of his happiest hunting-grounds. Within a stone's throw are the charming house to which Mrs. Siddons retired for rest; Bolton House, where Joanna Baillie was visited by Sir Walter Scott; Romney's house and studio, now occupied by a conservative club, and George du Maurier's house. Hampstead has long been proud of its literary and artistic associations, and it is still thickly-sown with users of the pen and brush.

Readers of the *New Statesman*, unless they belong to a past generation, must be puzzled by the name Affable Hawk, the nom de plume adopted by the successor to Solomon Eagle. For enlightenment on the point they should refer to old playgoers with good memories. A Game of Speculation is never seen on the stage now, but when in the "Consulate of Plancus" Charles Matthews played the chief part—and played it with inimitable ease—the little comedy always drew crowds to the theatre, eager to see how cleverly and coolly Mr. Affable Hawk escaped from his financial embarrassments, and tricked and pacified his clamorous dons. It cannot be said that he was a highly moral character, but he was a most entertaining one, and in this respect he is closely resembled by the bearer of his name in our weekly contemporary.

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LUSITANO CLUB.

ANNUAL SPORTS.

The Lusitano Club conducted its 1920 Athletic Meeting at the Race Course yesterday, when the popularity of this annual event was evidenced by the large number of entrants as well as visitors who thronged the stands and lined the railings. The good weather, which obtained in the early part of the afternoon held out promise of good sport and much enjoyment for all, but an occasional drizzle during the later period of the meeting drove most of the spectators into the stands. However, all were in good spirits, a state promoted no less by the interest taken in the sports than by the selection of pleasing music rendered by the Band of the Wiltshire. The number and nature of the various events were practically unchanged from last year's. They were selected with the view to participation not only by members of the Lusitano Club and community but by outsiders as well. There were several events of particular interest, such as the two-mile bicycle race, the Colony's Championship Race, and the Relay Race.

There were only six out of the 19 boys listed for the Bicycle Race who were at the starting point, and this number was reduced to five by the early retirement of one contestant from the race. The event practically resolved itself into a tussle between F. X. Gomes (last year's winner) and J. A. V. Soares. These two were level with each other, taking it easy, when the first mile was completed, with Leo d'Almeida, Jr. third. The expectations of his admirers were justified when, at the close, Gomes came in first with many yards to spare to the second man, Soares. The time of 17 minutes 40 seconds was one minute more than the period Gomes took to negotiate the two mile circuit last year. This might be due to the heavy condition of the course.

The 220 Yards Colony's Championship Race was necessarily the most important event, as the contestants included a good many well-known runners. They were Sanitary Inspector, R. H. Woods, R. M. Omar, A. Rahmin, Ko Kin Fan and others. Rahmin failed to secure a win, as he came in third after a very close race in which Omar and Ko Kin Fan secured the principal honours.

Five teams entered for the relay race, which was won by Queen's College with a team composed of D. Lam, K. S. Hung, Hyder and Ko Kin Fan.

Included in the number of visitors present were His Lordship Bishop Pozzani, and the Portuguese Consul, Senhor Albuquerque e Castro, and his wife.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mr. A. G. da Rocha, the President of the Lusitano Club, expressed his thanks to Madame Albuquerque e Castro for having consented to present the prizes, to the prize donors and subscribers to the Prize Fund, and the officials, especially the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Baptista, for their services.

Madame Albuquerque was presented with a handsome bouquet with holler for her services, and the Consul returned thanks on her behalf.

The proceedings came to a conclusion with the Band's playing the Portuguese and British National Anthems. The results were:

Flat Race (120 yds. handicap): 1. F. Rodriguez; 2. C. Carvalho.

Boys' Race (220 yds. handicap): 1. F. Ahmed; 2. A. Silva; 3. J. Cotton. (Time 27 secs.)

120 yds. flat race (final): 1. F. Rodriguez; 2. F. H. Carvalho. (Time 12 1/2 secs.)

One mile bicycle race: 1. Mario da Silva; 2. A. M. Gomes. (Time 2 mins. 25 secs.)

440 yds. flat race (challenge cup): 1. F. Rodriguez; 2. H. J. Prata. (Time 55 3/5 secs.)

120 yds. boys' race: 1. A. Ozorio; 2. R. Castilho; 3. B. Gosano.

Egg and Spoon Race (100 yds.): 1. F. L. Silva; 2. Mario da Silva.

100 yds. championship race: 1. H. J. Prata; 2. P. M. Xavier. (Time 10 3/5 secs.)

100 yds. girls' race: 1. K. Hyndman; 2. Helena Souza; 3. M. Xavier.

140 yds. flat race: 1. F. Rodriguez; 2. E. Silva. (Time 53 secs.)

Boys' and girls' race (50 yds.): 1. Antonio Ozorio; 2. Helena Souza; 3. Alice Remedios.

Bicycle race (2 miles): 1. F. X. Gomes (scratch); 2. J. A. V. Soares (59 yds.). (Time 7 mins. 49 secs.)

220 yds. flat race: 1. E. A. Silva; 2. T. A. Carvalho. (Time 22 3/5 secs.)

120 yds. flat race (competitors over 30 years of age): 1. E. J. R. Aquino; 2. A. A. Estelino. (Time 14 2/5 secs.)

220 yds. flat race (championship of the Colony): 1. R. M. Omar; 2. Ko Kin Fan. (Time 22 3/5 secs.)

Sack race (50 yds.): 1. F. A. Loureiro; 2. L. M. Xavier.

120 yds. girls' race: 1. Aida Oliveira; 2. Marie Remedios; 3. Pepita Lawrence.

Half mile race: 1. F. Antonio; 2. J. R. Soares; 3. S. Carvalho. (Time 2 mins. 13 3/5 secs.)

Half mile race for sailors, soldiers and police: 1. Ralph; 2. Britton; 3. Williams.

Ladies' nomination race: 1. L. M. Xavier (nominated by Miss G. Assumpcao); 2. F. L. Marques (nominated by Mrs. F. L. Marques); 3. F. F. Loureiro (nominated by Miss van Langenberg).

100 yds. race, teams of four: 1. J. F. Silva (Capt.), P. M. Xavier, J. A. Gutierrez and F. A. Loureiro.

One mile relay race, in teams of four: 1. Queen's College.

Consolation Race (100 yds.): 1. F. A. Xavier; 2. J. Gutierrez.

GRATEFUL FREEMASONS.

As an appreciation of the services rendered by the Shipwrecked Mariners' Society to the survivors of the Cornish steamer Treveal, wrecked off St. Alban Head with a loss of 36 lives, the secretary of the Swansea branch has received a cheque for 30 guineas from the Tennant Lodge of Freemasons, Cardiff. The chief engineer, Thirkell, who was rescued, was a member of the lodge.

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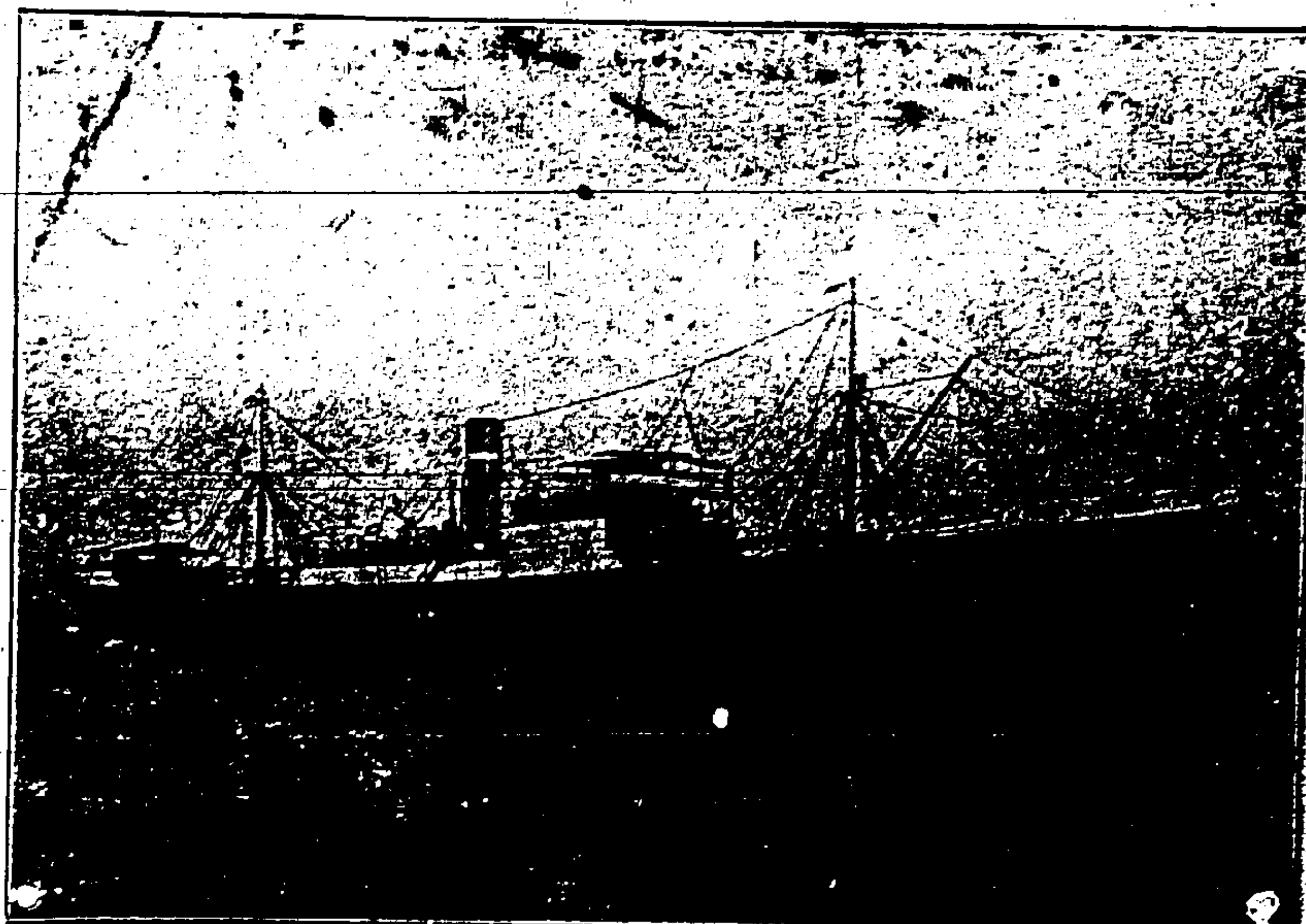
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BANCA (Cargo)	6,000	6 Apr. 4 p.m.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
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MADRAS	7,000	16th April	(Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.)
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	23rd Apr.	Sandakan, Thursday Is.
EASTERN	4,000	19th May	Cairo, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.

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NORE	6,700	7th Apr. d'light	Shanghai & Kobe.
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TOYOHASHI MARU (Calling Manila) Wed., 5th May, at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez Port Said & Marseilles.

YOKOHAMA MARU ... Friday, 16th Apr., at noon.

TAMBA MARU ... Friday, 30th Apr., at noon.

HAMBURG, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

DAKAR MARU ... Tuesday, 6th April.

TOYOOKA MARU ... Middle of May.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Suez, Port Said, Suez & Port Said.

TORA MARU ... Sunday, 11th April.

WAKASA MARU (Calling Genoa) Beginning of May.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

NIKKO MARU ... Wednesday, 21st Apr., at 11 a.m.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 19th May, at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & HAVANA via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Muroran, San Francisco, Panama & Colon.

GENOA MARU ... Monday, 12th April.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

TOSA MARU ... Tuesday, 6th April.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

SHINZUI MARU ... Wednesday, 7th April.

MEICHI MARU ... Saturday, 10th April.

ALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

RAFGOODS MARU ... Monday, 19th April.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

AKI MARU ... Saturday, 17th April, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU ... Friday, 9th Apr. at 11 a.m.

TOYOOKA MARU ... Sunday, 11th Apr. at 11 a.m.

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Tjilapang	Java	in port	25th Apr.	Saigon.
Tjilabang	Japan	7th Apr.	10th Apr.	Batavia.
Tjilabang	Amoy	7th Apr.	13th Apr.	Batavia.
Tjilabang	Java	11th Apr.	16th Apr.	Japan.
Tjilabang	Shanghai	14th Apr.	18th Apr.	Java.
Tjilabang	Java	14th Apr.	28th Apr.	Java.

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BUENOS AIRES—Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Mauritius, Durban and Cape Town via Singapore.

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"SEATTLE MARU" ... Middle of July.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via Suez.

"BURMA MARU" ... Wednesday, 14th April.

"SIAM MARU" ... End of April.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE—Monthly service (taking cargo to New Zealand and Pacific Islands).

"KOSOKU MARU" ... Wednesday, 7th April.

SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly Service.

"UNNAN MARU" ... Thursday, 8th April.

VICTORIA & VANCOUVER—Tacoma via Manila, Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yokohama.

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"AFRICA MARU" (Call Shanghai) Saturday, 22nd May.

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"AMAKUSA MARU" ... Sunday, 11th April.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

"SOSHI MARU" ... Friday, 9th April.

JAPAN PORTS—Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi & Yokohama.

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LONDON & ROTTERDAM	"KAZEMBE"	20th May.

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STRAITS & Calcutta	Kumsang	Wed., 7th Apr. at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Wed., 7th Apr. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Takshang	Wed., 7th Apr. at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Kwongsang	Fri., 9th Apr. at d'light.
MANILA	Yuensang	Fri., 9th Apr. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Fri., 9th Apr. at 3 p.m.
KOBE	Chaksang	Mon., 12th Apr. at 5 p.m.
KOBE	Yatshing	Sun., 18th Apr. at d'light.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues., 27th Apr. at noon.

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For	Steamers.	To Sail.
SHANGHAI	Sunshing	8th Apr. at noon.
CHEFOO & TIENSIN	Kueichow	9th Apr. at noon.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yinschow	10th Apr. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Chenglu	13th Apr. at 10 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	13th Apr. at 4 p.m.

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Steamships.	Captain	Leaving.
Haiphong	W. C. Passmore	TUES., 6th Apr. at 1 p.m.
Maiching	A. H. Stewart	FRI., 9th Apr. at 1 p.m.
Mo. lalla (Haloog)	Ed Walker	TUES., 13th Apr. at 1 p.m.

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"CHARLTON HALL"	via Panama & Havana	10th April.
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"CITY OF COLOMBO"	via Suez	5th May.
"EURYTHMUS"	via Panama	12th May.

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SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

The P. & O. NORE, brought from London yesterday 5,300 tons of general merchandise for through destinations and 500 tons for Hongkong. There were two cases of measles during the voyage.

From Wakamatsu the M. B. K. vessel CHIHAWA MARU, brought this morning 1,617 tons of coal.—Mooring, C 33.

From Kobe and Moji the KOSOKU MARU, consigned here to-day 2,100 tons of general merchandise for through ports and 330 tons for Hongkong.—Mooring, Kowloon Wharf.

The RHESUS, a Blue Funnel boat came in yesterday from Liverpool with 5,939 tons for North and 1,253 tons for the Colony. She had 31 first-class and 21 deck passengers on board.

The H. and S. vessel "CHANG-CHOW," from Bangkok consigned here on Sunday a thousand tons of general merchandise.—Mooring, C 15.

From Yokohama the BANCA, brought 6,033 tons of through and 120 tons of direct cargo. She belongs to the P. and O. fleet.

The TELEMACHUS, (Captain Bentley) delivered here 2,000 tons of rice from Saigon. Her owners are Wo Fat Sing.—Mooring, C 14.

From Wuhu the Jardine vessel LOKSANG, brought 1,643 tons of rice.—Mooring, B 31.

The Russian boat GEORGE, belonging to the Russian Volunteer Fleet, came in on Sunday with 850 tons of general cargo from Haiphong and Hoihow.—Mooring, C 44.

The Norwegian ship PROSPER, brought yesterday from Saigon 2,127 tons of rice.—Mooring, C 19.

The O. S. K.'s KUNAJIRI MARU from Melbourne consigned here yesterday 2,000 tons of flour for the north and 1,350 tons of flour for Hongkong.—Mooring, O. S. K. Wharf.

The TOSA MARU, from Yokohama and Kobe brought, yesterday 3,562 tons of tinplate, lumber and matches and 213 tons of sulphur and cotton goods. She is an N.Y.K. vessel. One immigrant died of bronchitis on the Voyage.—Mooring, B 27.

The Chinese ships CHEFOS, consigned here yesterday from Fremantle 600 tons of sandalwood.—Mooring, B. 32.

From Tourane the YANG-TSE KIANG, flying the Chinese flag, brought yesterday 600 tons of sugar for the Colony.—Mooring, C 17.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N. Y. K. s.s. TOYOOKA M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 25th Feb., and is expected here on the 7th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SADO M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 6th March and is expected here on the 14th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. AKI MARU (Australian Line) left Sydney for Hongkong via ports on the 26th March and is expected here on the 16th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KITANO M. (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on the 20th March and is expected here on the 26th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. SHINZUI M. (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 31st March and is expected here on the 6th April.

The N. Y. K. s.s. MISHIMA M. (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 3rd Apr. and is expected here on the 6th April.

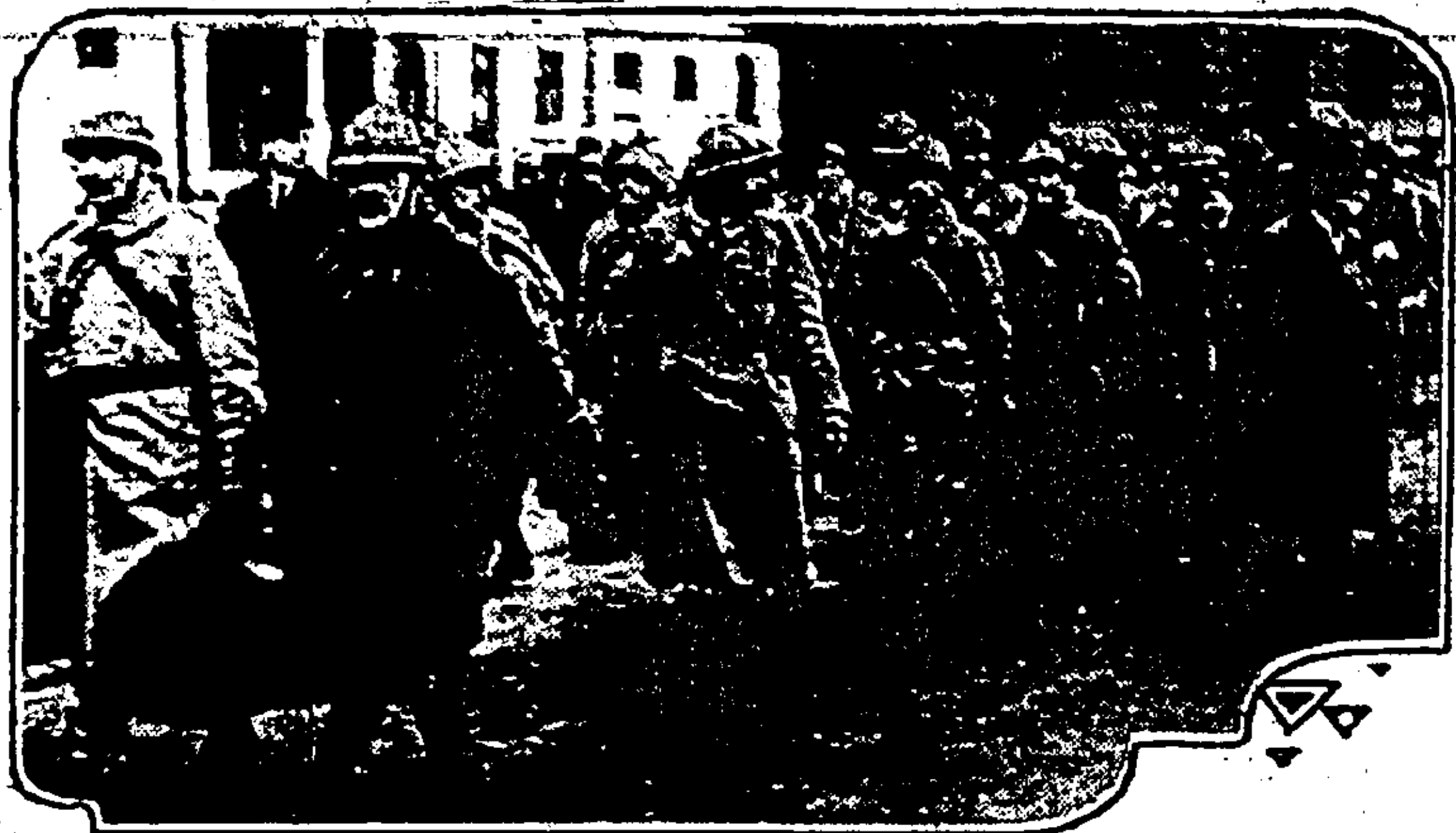
The N. Y. K. s.s. YEBOSHI M. (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 11th April, and is expected here on the 11th April.

The s.s. METIVEN arrived at Singapore on 29th Mar. left there 4th April, and is due at Hongkong on 10th April.

The R. M. S. MONTAGUE arrived at Moji on 5th April, left there 6th April, and is due at Kobe on 7th April.

The K. M. S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN arrived at Kobe on 4th April, left there 5th April, and is due at Yokohama on 6th April.

TO-DAY'S PICTURES.



These officers and men of the French Army were sent to Germany to help the Entente Commission make Germany live up to the terms of peace. The picture shows them in a street in Berlin.



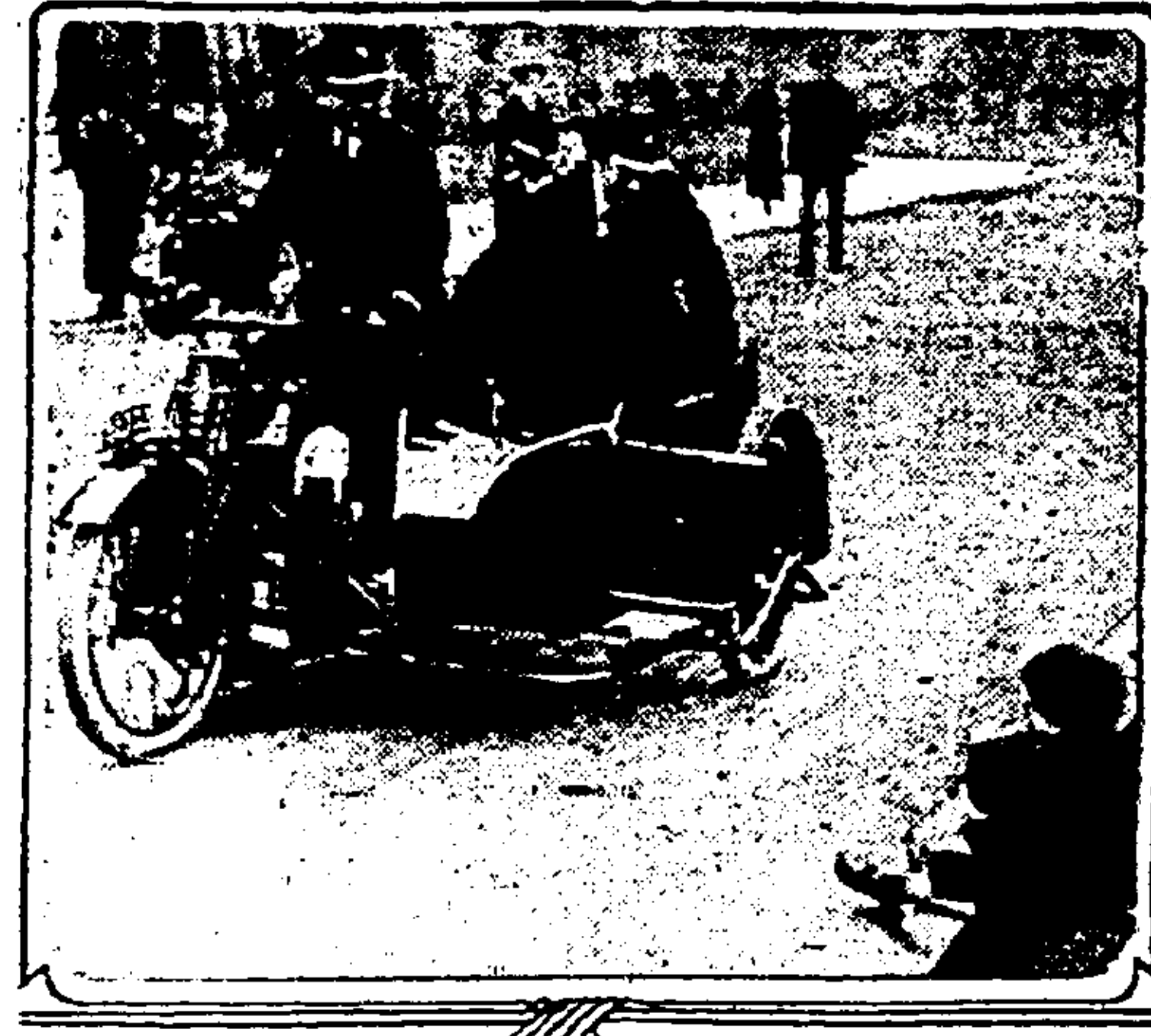
Many trucks were snowbound during the recent snow-storm in New York. Picture shows a baby tank going to the rescue of one of the trucks.



Mr. R. Lloyd George, Prime Minister of the British, and his wife are now in the United States. Mr. Lloyd George is on a business trip.



The photograph shows Italian soldiers and Secret Service agents outside the station at Rome during the recent railway strike.



The work of the women police of London has been so successful that the corps has been equipped with motorcycles and sidecars to enable them to do greater work.



Latest type of 14-inch German mine picked up off the coast of New Jersey by American mine sweepers. These mines were placed by dozens all along the Atlantic coast and sunk several coastwise vessels.



Japanese street dancers participating in a native festival.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Mothers Are Always Very Curious.

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